

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0016] with the following amended paragraph:

[0016] FIG. 3 is a cross-sectional view of the housing element and the actuating element of FIGS. 1 and 2; ~~[[and]]~~

Please replace paragraph [0017] with the following amended paragraph:

[0017] FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view of an additional embodiment of the present invention illustrating an extended mandrel~~[[.]]~~; ~~and~~

Please add the following new paragraph after paragraph [0017]:

[0017.1] FIG. 5 is a block diagram of a housing element and an actuating element according to another embodiment of the present invention.

Please replace paragraph [0019] with the following amended paragraph:

[0019] Referring now to FIG. 2, the actuating element 7 has a cylindrical interior 8. The inside diameter of the actuating element 7 corresponds to the outside diameter of the cylindrical mandrel 2 of the housing element 1 so that cylindrical interior 8 of the actuating element 7 may be slipped onto the cylindrical mandrel 2 of the housing element 1, resulting in the formation of a sliding support with rotary motion between the actuating element 7 and the housing element 1. In addition, actuating element 7 has a latching element 9 that may be formed in the shape of a hook complimentary in shape to recess 5 on the housing element 1 forming the second latching element. In another embodiment of the present invention, the hook 9 is on the housing 1 and the recess 5 is on the actuating element 7 (see FIG. 5).